

as they packed these things for shipment was a reminder that "the Lord loves a cheerful giver." In some way Brother McFaden omitted this from the list acknowledged.

There has been the usual number of marriages, and other evidences of happiness and hope, and the sadness of the angel of death has not grown lighter, but his visits to our community has not been so frequent for past months as has been the case at other times. Only a few weeks ago, a young man and friend was taken suddenly sick, and when I visited him he requested me to pray for him, and as I knelt at his bedside to ask the heavenly Father's blessing little did I think that my friend was in thirty minutes of eternity. He was not a church member, but he was not unconscious of the fact that God loved him. "Only a step between me and death," was the text for his funeral sermon. Married only a few years, and with every promise of happiness and prosperity, but now a sorrowing widow, and a multitude of relatives and friends are made conscious of the uncertainty of life in this world. But will the warning be heeded?

We expected to begin revival meetings in Garrison, Ia., on the 24th inst., but received a telegram announcing that the churches in that town were under quarantine, some contagious malady, so our plans were changed, and now we will begin our meetings in Milledgeville perhaps sooner than we had expected. Pray for us.

## OBSERVATIONS.

Less machinery and more Gospel preaching would make more lasting converts as results of revival meetings.

Pentecost came immediately after a ten day's prayer meeting in the upper room in Jerusalem. Secret; after ten day's prayer they were all of one accord, and in one place.

The cause of the first dispute among the apostles, was one John Mark, who "departed from them at Pamphylia, and would not go with them to the work." "And the contention was so sharp that they departed asunder one from the other: and so Barnabas took Mark, and Paul chose Silas," Acts 16:38. This is one of the cases where the devil overshot himself; for after the dispute was over, the Lord had two missionary parties, where he would have had but one, had Satan kept out of it. The more Satan works against missions, the more recruits will be added to the army of the Lord.

Pride comes before a fall; but humility is power with the Lord.

Come we that love the Lord, is never sung, on invitations to the ball room.

Praise God from whom all blessings flow, can be musically sung only by the humble in heart.

The most brilliantly illuminated dining room in the world, was the upper room, where Jesus washed his disciple's feet, for it was there that the Holy Ghost descended on them.

The poorest man mentioned in the Bible is the man whose fields brought forth so much that he did not know what to do with it; so he would build a large barn, store his goods, and his soul's affection therein; but God said "thou fool!"

The next poorest man is Dives; whose purple and fine linen must have looked sadly out of place in hell, as he saw Lazarus, the man of rags, in paradise keeping company with saints. The difference between the two men was not their clothes, nor their daily fare on earth, but it was, that, one was Lazarus, and the other was Dives.

J. O. TALLEY.

## HOMERVILLE, OHIO.

It has been some time since anything appeared in our church paper from this part of God's moral vineyard. And I have nothing of much interest to tell you now. We are still trying to serve our Master. Our prayer meeting, as well as our regular meetings for hearing our preacher expound the Scriptures, are fairly well attended, and our King's Children is not losing but gaining. If not in numbers it is in interest. The sermons we hear regular on every Lord's day or night are sound, reasoning, and entertaining. If people would only make a strong effort to get to church more regular they would surely be blessed for their effort, and the pastor would be encouraged to a greater zeal. In a country church it is not so easy to get a full house as in a city. But, when one wishes really to accomplish anything, "stormy weather" and "bad roads" seldom ever knocks one out of the calculation made. And now since I am on this subject, if one wants to read our church paper it is a very poor, flimsy excuse to say I am too hard up, I haven't got the dollar.

My wife says she overheard the following to-day. A brother said, "since the BRETHREN EVANGELIST has adopted the cash plan I can't take it." The other brother said, "I didn't just have a dollar, but I borrowed one." That's right, when you haven't got the dollar don't miss your church paper. Here seems to be the difference between these two brothers. The former did not want the paper so badly as the other. I received a kind letter from a good brother just recently who puts it this way.—(I don't understand how a loy-

al member of the Brethren church can get along without the BRETHREN EVANGELIST, do you?) I have not answered the brother's letter. He will find my answer in this item. No I don't.

Our sister's meeting took place to day, at Mrs. Doc Myers' home. The day being stormy, quite a number of the brethren made an excuse to be present. The storm was taken advantage of—see. I made no note of the number present. Should think some twenty five grown people or more. I made calculations on a good, enjoyable time, and a good dinner, and I had both. These sisters' meetings are intended for the betterment of all who attend them, as well as to do good to the needy, and to help on the cause for Christ. May it ever be such.

D. J. MYERS.

## CONEMAUGH, PA.

With pleasure I address the EVANGELIST, it being some time since I gave any news concerning the progress of the church at this place, neglecting my duty in regard to the church's request.

Brother J. F. Koontz held a five-weeks' revival, and during that time the Lord blessed us abundantly, as does he always, by adding fifty-eight precious souls to the church, making a total of about one hundred and fourteen new members during Brother Koontz' stay at Conemaugh, yet there are good grounds for many more.

Last Thursday two weeks ago was our regular quarterly business evening, and there being present about ninety of our members, gave brother J. F. Koontz a unanimous call for 1897.

King's Children's Society, Sen., meets on Wednesday evening of each week, and each evening we increase in interest, also in membership.

Sunday school is doing a good work also, brother Hiram Goughnour being our present superintendent. By doing the work the Heavenly Father has given us, we know we will be rewarded richly.

NETTIE O'NEILL.

## GALESBURG, KANS.

The meeting at this place has closed for a few days. Brother Kimmel and Brother Brubaker have gone home. Brother Brubaker being called home to see after some business matters. And on account of the extremely bad weather and condition of the roads, we thought best to close the meeting for a short time. Brother Brubaker will return next Sunday and continue the meetings next week, and perhaps longer, owing to the weather and the interest manifested. We hope also to have Brother Hixon with us if the condi-

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